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TO: All ABD Medicaid Policy Manual Holders
All Family Medicaid Policy Manual Holders
All TANF Cash Assistance Policy Manual Holders
All Food Stamp Policy Manual Holders

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SUBJECT: ABD Bulletin MA-88; Family MA Bulletin FMA-49; TANF Bulletin TB-40; Food Stamp Bulletin 57

ABD MA Manual: Place this bulletin at the beginning of ABD 402-1 and ABD 501-1

FMA Manual: Place this bulletin at the beginning of FMA 402-1 and FMA 501-1

TANF Manual: Place this bulletin at the beginning of TANF 402-1 and TANF 501-1

FS Manual: Place this bulletin at the beginning of FS 402-1 and FS 501-1

SUBJECT: Stimulus Tax Rebate

REFERENCE: The Economic Stimulus Act of 2008 Title I Section 101(d)

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon receipt

INTRODUCTION: The tax rebate is excluded as income for ABD Medicaid, Family Medicaid, TANF, and the Food Stamp Program. The rebates are excluded from resources for the month of receipt and the following two months for all programs. Any amount remaining after that period is counted toward the resource limit.

For the Food Stamp Program, six month reporting households are not required to report exceeding the resource limit until recertification or the six month reporting period whichever is first.

For the Food Stamp Program, the tax rebate can be intercepted for Treasury Offset Program (TOP) collections.

If you have questions, please contact your regional policy specialist. Thank you.